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Open Letter from the Musicians' Guild to the Gentle Folk of Dragonspine:

We announce the organization of the Musicians' Guild of Dragonspine under the following charter:

The Musicians' Guild is open to musicians and other people interested in period and period-style instrumental music. The guild members intend to:

- promote the study and practise of period music within the Barony.
- where possible, promote the use of period instruments.
- provide a source of instrumental music for feasts and revels.
- work with dance and song groups to provide accompaniment.
- provide an opportunity to exchange musical knowledge and resources, including an informal music library.

We want to emphasize the use of period music leaving "filk" music to informal groups and households.

Rehearsals are presently scheduled for Sundays, 4-5 pm. Meetings held the first Monday of the month at the fighter practise site. We invite musicians and interested people to join us.

For questions or directions to rehearsals, contact Milady Liobsynde (Charlease Bobo) at 593-9652 or Lady Melissa and Lord Demetrios (Melissa and Jay Yakura) at 591-5281.

FEAST OF FOOLS

On April 15, in Dragonsspine, the annual Feast of Fools will be held. The traditional pun-a-costume contest will be held. For instance, coming in polka dot garb qualifies "period costume". Last year one lord wore oriental garb, and had 'sunkist' on one cheek; he was a "Mandarin orange". A prize will be awarded for the 'punniest' costume. There will also be a Blindfold, Bell, and ~~Candle~~ Pizza game and dancing. A medieval chess tournament, with prize will also be held. Consult the Compleat Anachronist #4 for 11th century rules. A swashbuckling practice is to be held before the event at 4:00.

The site is Bemis dining hall on Colorado College campus (see map for location and available parking). The time is 6:00 to 11:30. The cost is $3, or $1 if you bring a contribution for the pot-luck sideboard. The site is dry, a non-alcoholic punch will be served. To get to the campus from out of town, take I-25 to the Uintah turnoff, follow Uintah 1/2 mile east to the Cascade light and follow the map. Call Lord Mableth, Bill Morris (473-2233 extension 2788) for further information. If I am not there leave a name and number and I will get back to you. Contact Amy Palmer (473-2233 extension 2246) to volunteer to entertain. Reservations are not necessary but will be greatly appreciated. Please make checks out to SCA--Barony of Dragonsspine. The mailing address is:

Mableth
Bill Morris
217 East San Rafael, #10
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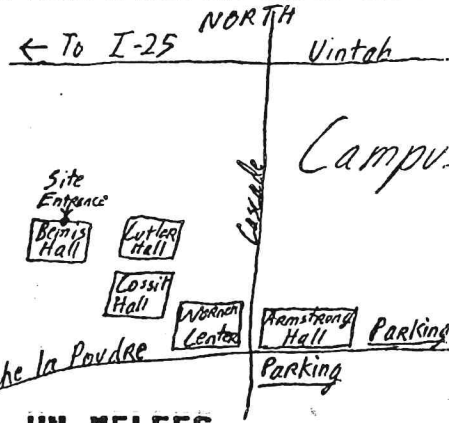

Parking is available in the two labelled parking lots and along Cascade and Cache la Poudre.

FOURTH ANNUAL UN-MELEES

The Un-Melees return with the events that everyone knew and loved before. This year's fun to choose from include:

Melee's (of course heavy weapons)
Resurrection Melee (heavy weapons)
The Quest (for fencers, fighters, non-combatants)
IKAC rounds (for the archers)
A Hunt (needs non-combatants)

The date will be as always on the Memorial day weekend May 27-29. Site fee is $4.00 per person for the whole weekend.

There will be a kitchen to break your fasts and for snacks and meals during the day as well possibly.

The complete schedule and more details will be in next month's OH. Merchants are welcome and not charged for selling their wares.

Autocrats:
Lord Titus 303-490-2936 (overall)
Lord Kevin 303-221-0850 (fighting)
Lord Francis 303-226-2018 (archery)

CAERTHEN ARTS & SCIENCES FAIR AND TOURNAMENT OF CHIVALRY

This year's major Arts and Sciences event will be held on April 22nd. It will NOT be a competition, but rather an Arts and Sciences Fair. If you have any items of which you are especially proud and wish to display, this is the time to do so. All items will be displayed for people to admire and examine with the names of the creators attached. Any documentation you have will be appreciated. Any type of Arts and Sciences may be displayed. There will be areas for Calligraphy and Illumination, Wood, Metal, Leather crafting, Jewelry making, Costuming, Cooking, and Brewing. We would like to have representation in all the categories of an Arts and Sciences competition. If you wish to bring food, please bring for at least 10 or more individuals to sample.

NON CAERTHENS ARE WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO BRING THEIR ITEMS TO DISPLAY

The planned site is St. Paul's Episcopal Church at 10th and Garrison. More information will be announced next month.

FABRIC SWAP: For those who have fabrics which they do not want or need, there will be a fabric swap held during the event. All items in the fabric swap will have the name of the owner on the fabric with a place for people to put their "bids". Fabrics do not necessarily have to be exchanged for other fabrics, so if you see something you want, it will be up to you to seek out the owner and make your own deals. Barter is encouraged but the final decision is up to the owner of the fabric. Anyone interested in more information about the fabric swap contact Lady Wyndylyn at 355-6598.

BAZAAR: There will also be a BAZAAR with items for sale to the populace. All items must be made by the seller and/or of practical use in these Modern Middle Ages. Barter between buyer and seller is acceptable if the seller so wishes. Anyone wishing to sell at the Bazaar contact Lady Aleen at 830-2373 to arrange for tables.

FASHION SHOW: A "Period Fashion Show" is being planned for the event. If you have a costume which is particularly nice and of a specific period, we would like to have you model it in the Fashion show. Please call Lady Aleen, 830-2373, if you are willing to "show off" your Costuming. All Periods and styles are needed.

FEAST: A traditional Jewish "Pesach Seder" Feast will be served in connection with the Arts and Sciences. The Feast will be cooked on the site during the day and people will have a chance to learn about and help with the special foods which are part of this ancient feast. Lady Kezia will be explaining what is involved in truly cooking Kosher as opposed to the usual period cooking practices. Cost for the feast will be $6.00 per person. Send reservations and checks payable to SCA - Barony of Caerthe to Advina Connolly, 1598 South Naples Street, Aurora, CO, 80017. For more information, call Lady Kezia die Naherin at 369-8497.

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You never know who's watching ...
This picture appeared on the cover of a news letter from Portland, Oregon. It was taken from the last Crown Tourney in Caerthe. You never know...

Coronation

The shire of Caer Galen will be hosting a most glorious Coronation Celebration for the seventh King and Queen of the Outlands on May 6tha nd 7th. The days activities on Saturday and Sunday will be held at Winhover Cliff, the lands of Mistress Kyriel on the outskirts of Caer Galen, and the Feast will be in the hall at Sacred Heart School in Caer Galen.

We are planning melee's on Saturday during the day, with the Coronation ceremonies at Windhover Cliff. A Grand Feast is planned for that evening with foods from the hunt, and lots of dancing and revelling-and YES this is a wet site!! Sunday will be the tournaments of Queen's Champion and Protector of the Queen's Heart. Also planned is a potluck brunch at Winhover Cliff, with leftovers from the feast and beverages provided. Please bring dishes that need no preparation on site.

FEES: $10.00 for feast and site until April 21st. (If your'e really wonderful to the Autocrat and Feastocrats, and you call to plead, we might let you have a reservation after April 21st.)

$3.50 for site fee only

Half price for children under 12.

Volunteers for serving and cleanup will also get in for half price - but you need to contact the Autocrat by April 21st at the latest!!

More information will be in the next Herald along with maps to the sites.

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FEASTOCRATS
LORD HESPERO
AND
LADY ELIZABETH O'BYRNE

LANDCLEARING WORKPARTIES

Mistress Kyriel is allowing us to use her land at no cost to us, however, in order to be of use to us, the area must be cleared of excess brush, fallen wood, rocks, and old building debris. There is the possiblity that we may be able to use this site again in the future, so as many helpers as can show up will be appreciated.

Mistress Kyriel will rent a large size dumpster to receive the trash, we do not need to haul it, just to clear it from the land.

Lady Morgwen is organizing workparties for the following weekends:

March 18-19, March 25,26, April 1-2, and April 8-9.

We hope that with 8 dates to choose from, that most everyone can show up for more than one. Please call **Morgwen 499-1667 for directions and information** on the workparties.

Remember when you go out to wear workclothes, sturdy boots or shoes, and to bring gloves for you hands. We will appreciate everyone's help, there will be small and light debris to move as well as the fighter conditioning size of debris. See you there!

B R I G A N D ' S B I Z A R R E

MEMORIAL WEEKEND the Barony of Dragonsspine will be hosting a camping event.

A excellent, discreetly wet site has been reserved. Its many amenities include grills, fire pits, running water, hot showers, flush toilets, store on-site and heated swimming pool. Dogs must be leashed. Site opens Friday at 6:00 p.m. Quiet time begins at 11:00 p.m.

The weekend will be crammed full of farcical melees for both fighters and non-combatants (smalls included), dancing, fencing, bardic and archery competitions.

Site fees for advance reservations received by May 1, 1989 are:

$5.00 per person $1.50 for smalls (7-15)
Really smalls (6 and under) are free.

After May 1, 1989, site fees will increase by $1.00 per person/small. Really smalls will still be free (unless otherwise sold as slaves!). On-site late reservations will be accepted but are strongly discourage due to the nature of the melees.

There are also motel rooms available on-site (some with fully equipped kitchens). Advance reservations are encouraged (719) 684-9044. Prices must be negotiated with the inn-keeper and a site fee will still be required.

The Autocrats respectfully request that an hour be donated to the Parent Dungeon for each small in your family. Please have a game or a story prepared. There is a playground available. A Children's Boffer Tourney will also be held Sunday afternoon.

MERCHANTS, please display your talented wares. No tithe is being requested but donations will be greedily accepted!!!

FURTHER QUESTIONS, RESERVATIONS, ETC.

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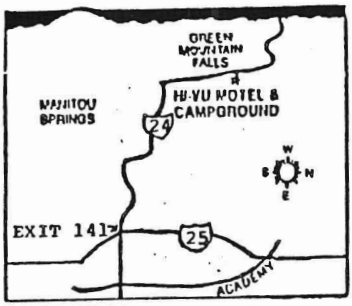

PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN SUN SHADE

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The Barony of Dragonsspine has nine copies of the Known World Handbook for sale. The price is only $8.00 per copy, with proceeds going into the baronial coffers. To get your copy, contact the Reeve, Lady Morwyn MacDonald, at 473-5816 or at any upcoming fighter practice/business meeting/event.

Caerthan A+S cont. - of Caerthe

TOURNAMENT OF CHIVALRY: The Baron has determined that this event would be a great time to hold a TOURNAMENT OF CHIVALRY. The winner would be the holder of the Caerthen Sword of Chivalry. As part of the Tournament, ALL ENTRANTS MUST HAVE AN ARTICLE IN THE ARTS AND SCIENCES DISPLAY. For more information, contact His Excellency Baron Douglas MacAndrew at 722-3272.

A HUNT IN AN ENCHANTED FOREST

The Color Court of Emeralds

(Green)

July 15th AS XXIV

MINI-TOURNEY • REVEL

THE SOFT SWEET SMELL OF THE GREEN GRASS UNDERFOOT... SOFT GREEN LEAVES MURMURING IN THE BREEZE OVERHEAD... EVEN THE LIGHT IS TINTED GREEN AS IT FILTERS THROUGH THE TREES... AS THE GLADE FILLS WITH LORDS AND LADIES, IT IS DISCOVERED THAT THEY TOO ARE CLOTHED IN ALL THE GREENS OF NATURE'S KINGDOMS...

THE COLOUR COURT OF EMERALDS
A HUNT IN AN ENCHANTED FOREST
JULY 15TH

A HUNT TOURNEY IS PLANNED FOR MID-MORNING (BOTH RATTAN AND RAPIER). THERE WILL BE DANCING ON THE GLADE IN THE AFTERNOON AMD A FEAST, PREPARED BY HIS LORDSHIP ALEYN DOUGLAS, WILL BE SERVED IN THE EVENING. THE FEAST WILL BE SERVED "ABOVE" AND "BELOW" THE SALT. (ABOVE THE SALT FEASTS WILL BE RESTRICTED TO 25 AND WILL BE A FUNDRAISER FOR THE BARONY.) CONTESTS FOR MOST "EMERALD" COSTUME/MOST "EMERALD" ENCRUSTED COSTUME/BEST HUNT THEME COSTUME/BEST HUNT DEATH.

MORE INFORMATION WILL FOLLOW IN NEXT MONTH'S NEWSLETTER.

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Lady Melissa of Winged Hills, Minister of Arts & Sciences for Dragonsspine, sends Greetings and Felicitations unto the Populace of Barony of Dragonsspine.

Howdy! First a short introduction: My lord, Demetrios, and I moved to Dragonsspine last summer. Before that, I had been in the Society for over 7 years as a resident of the Marche of the Winged Hills (Dayton OH) in the Barony of Flaming Gryphon where I had (or was deputy for) several offices at the shire &/or Baronial level.

Second, I would like to find a deputy as soon as possible -- not necessarily someone who wants to be MoAS for a while after me, but someone who can keep the reports going out (and the files) for a bit if I have to resign suddenly and maybe help me in the meantime. (I had been Baronial chronicler less than 5 weeks when we found out Jay would be transferred here in a few months -- I don't <u>think</u> it'll happen again and with shorter notice but better safe than sorry!)

Third, I'm afraid that, being somewhat new to this group, I don't know what sorts of arts-and-sciences-type things people around here are interested in or already know how to do. Please let me know what you would like to learn and I'll try to point you toward someone or get a workshop together. Please let me know what you've done in the past -- even if you don't feel able to act as a resource person in it. It would be nice to know what skills and interests are out there. I'm currently doing some inkle weaving and wool spinning, and have done some basic bobbin lace. I have also done some crocheting and metalworking and wine making, and know a bit about several other of the arts and sciences. Hoping to hear what you are (and have been) doing, I am,

Yours in service to the Barony,

Melissa of Winged Hills
Dragonsspine Minister of Arts & Sciences

APRIL ARTS AND SCIENCES HAPPENINGS

<u>Denver Art Museum</u>-- Exhibit 'Medieval Paintings on Parchment-- Manuscripts from the Feldman Collection' in Mason Gothic Room on 4th floor. From April 29 till June 4th. Interested in a group trip in May?

<u>Caerthen Arts and Sciences Fair</u>-- April 22 at St. Paul's Episcopal in Lakewood. Display only, no competitions. Non Caerthens encouraged to bring items to display -- let's all show off what we've done and see what everyone else has been doing over the long winter. Documentation encouraged but not required. Also fabric swap and bazaar. More info somewhere else in this Meiassis.

<u>NEW!!</u> Musicians guild!! So far we have soprano, alto and tenor recorders, and violins. Absolute beginner on up. See inside back cover for meeting info for Musicians as well as Eastern Dance and European Dance groups.

The War of the Lilies III

Greeeting unot the People of the Outlands from the autocrats of The War of the Lilies III:

On behalf of Their Highnesses and the People of Calontir, we would like to invite our neighbors to attend War of the Lilies III. This year the war will take place on July 1, 2, and 3. The scenario will be based on the French vs the English. Detals will be announced later. Additionally there will be a wide variety of activities for children and non-combatants. The site for the war is located near the Shire of Carlsby, just outside of the greater Kansas City area. If you have any questions or wuld like more details please feel free to contact the coordinating autocrat at the address listed below.

In service,
The Lilies Autocrats
Lile ni Mhordha, Steffen Albert Rheinbauer,
Bryce leRaton, and Alyson Throckmorton

Coordinating Autocrat
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Alyson Burnett
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LLAMA LLUST II

The winds blowing across the eastern plains of the Outlands have again driven Master Odan der Halogaland to the brink of sanity. Obviously he took one too many blows to the head at Crown. He has totally lost his mind, so....

Master Odan and Lady Alianna will again host a tournement on their manor June 10th and 11th. In honor of last year it will be known as Llama Lust II. Halogaland Manor is located approximately 30 miles east of Carthe, (Denver, CO), in the Outlands.

There will be a small site fee to help pay for some shrines to St. John of the Stagnant Waters. Other than that the only fee we request is for all to have fun. There will be lists for Rattàn, Fencing, and Shinai. If there are enough young ones, we will have some childrens activities. Saturday there will be a feast similar to last year. (Odan promises to slay a dragon between now and then so we will have "dragon bones".) Saturday night we will have a bardic circle featuring old war stories, filk songs, and other nonsence. This is NOT a competition. Sunday will feature more tourneying. Please join us! For more information call Master Odan of Lady Alianna at (303) 622-4343

Dragonsspine Warlord

What: Dragonsspine Warlord and Prize Tourney
When: June 2nd, 3rd, and 4th
Where: Red Rocks Park, near the city of Woodland Park

This is a camping event in a pine covered area. The site is a national forest land park. There are two cinderblock restroom facilities, and water. There has been rumors that the water sometimes stops, so bring extra water just in case. The site is at a high altitude with fresh mountain air. There are picnic tables and permanent grills near the camp site. Standard forest service rules and regulations apply. The site will open June 2nd (Friday) at 5 PM for people who wish to arrive early. You may NOT arrive before this time. The official event will begin Saturday, June 3rd, at 9 AM. Everyone must be gone by 5 PM Sunday evening.

The first Tourney will be a double-elimination weapons-draw List; you and your opponent will draw from the following categories: Sword and Shield, Weapon and Shield, Two Weapon, and Single Weapon.

The second Tourney will be a double-elimination weapon(s) of choice tourney.

The third will be a round-robin Captain's Melee. Each combatant will have a chance to command a melee team, chosen by random draw. Each Captain will be judged by tactical and leadership ability; you do not ncessarily have to win to gain points!

There will be other competitions during the day, such as the Hammer Throw, and Pole Toss.

Each competitor will amass points according to his or her performance in these three Tourneys. The Dragonsspinian with the highest point total will be next year's Warlord. The highest scoring person will win the Prize.

There will be arts and sciences competitions as well, including Best Field Garb, and Most Entertaining Bardic Entry. There is a central fire-pit area, so we expect to hold a Bardic Competition. We encourage all singers, dancers, and other entertainers to ply their craft!

There will be no official feast, but a large cauldron will be brought for Stone Soup.

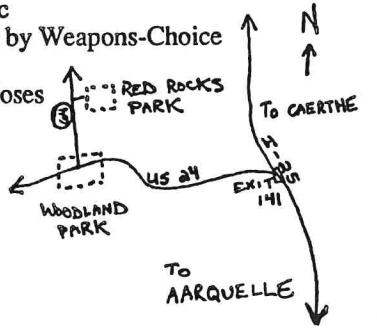
Site Fee: $2.00 daily
OR
$3.00 for full event

Tenative schedule:

Fri. June 2nd
5 PM - Site opens for Early Campers

Sat. June 3rd
9 AM - Opening Court
10 AM - Authorizations
11 AM - Weapons-Draw Tourney, followed by Weapons-Choice
5:30 PM - Dinner
7 PM - Bardic

Sun. June 4th
11 AM - Captain's Melee
3 PM - Closing Court
5 PM - Site closes



Autocrat: Count Hagen Silverskull
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Colo.Sprgs., CO 80908
(719) 495-3915

Schedule of Events

SATURDAY		SUNDAY	
Noon	Court	10:00a	Kingdom Archery
1:00p	Armor Inspection	Noon	Court
		1:00p	Armor Inspection
Later	Caravan Raid		
	Wall Battle	Later	Sea Battle
	Bridge Massacre		Swamp Slaughter
			Castle Siege
4:00p	Fencing Competition		
7:00p	Pillow Melee	6:00p	B.Y.O. Communal BBQ
Later	Bardic Competition	7:00p	Court
Don't forget the marshmellows!		Later	Court Dancing

(Catapults and battering ram will be provided. All other missile "toys" must be supplied by fighter and cleared with the Knight Marshall. Contact Lord Haroun for further information.)

RESERVATION FORM

Make all checks or money orders (no cash please) payable to:

SCA - Barony of Dragonsspine

MUNDANE NAME:_____ AGE (if child):___

SCA TITLE & NAME:_____

MUNDANE NAME:_____ AGE (if child):___

SCA TITLE & NAME:_____

MUNDANE NAME:_____ AGE (if child):___

SCA TITLE & NAME:_____

MUNDANE NAME:_____ AGE (if child):___

SCA TITLE & NAME:_____

Number of Combatants:_____ Number of Tents:_____

Phone Number:(____)_____ Total $_____Enclosed

REGULARITIES

Combat practice: Mitchell High School - Mondays at 7:30. If we're not there, try Village Green (east of Academy on Carefree.)

Business Meeting: 1st Wednesdays. Call Lord Harold, 598-7499.

Beledi and Armoring: every Thursday at the Tegen's at 8:00, call 597-5259.

Musicians: Sunday afternoons at 4:00 at the Yakura's or Cimmeron Hills Fire Station. Call Charlease (598-9652) or the Yakura's (591-5281) to find out which it is this week.

Courtly Dance: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 7:30pm on the Colorado College campus, Boettcher Health Center basement.

GUILDS

Armor and Metalworking -- Duke Albert (597-5259). See regularities.

Cooks -- Baroness Miranda (495-0547)

Costume and Needlework -- Milady Brilliana (598-1072)

Elder Knowledge -- Usually on 1st Sundays. Phone Selene (597-5259)

Scribes -- Lady Lydia (687-1449)

Vintning and Brewing -- Duke Albert (597-5259)

Performing Arts
- Beledi -- Duchess Selene (597-5259). See regularities.
- Dance -- Lord Bran map Lludd (597-5259) or see regularities.
- Music -- Milady Liobsnyde (598-9652) or see regularities.
- Song -- no leader
- Other -- no organizer (are YOU ready to volunteer?)

Newcomers are welcome at all Barony Dragonsspine events. There is never an increase in the site or feast fee for newcomers. Sponsors are responsible for appropriate garb except at those events which are explicitly designated for newcomers, when the hospitaller's office will provide.

FOR ALL WHO ARE TRAVELLING TO OTHER KINGDOMS AND WISH TO MAKE CONTACT WITH SCA THERE:

Lady Melissa and Lord Demetrios (Melissa & Jay Yakura) receive newsletters from many kingdoms and will be happy to let you know of any events you will be passing near. We will also be glad to give you phone numbers and names of officers, and any information on meetings and fighter practices or anything else we can find for the areas you will be in. Call 591-5281.

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